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PEACE CORPS ALSO FOR GUZZETTA

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SUBJECT: PEACE CORPS AGREEMENT WITH OMAN

REF: (A) 76 MUSCAT 1314, (B) 76 STATE 293947

1. AFTER SEVERAL MONTHS OF DISCUSSIONS WITH OMANGOV FOREIGN
MINISTRY, WE REACHED TENTATIVE AGREEMENT WITH UNDERSECRETARY
YUSUF AL ALAWI MARCH 20 ON WORDING OF MISSING PAGE IN PC
AGREEMENT.

2. AS DEPT AWARE, DISAGREEMENT HAD BOILED DOWN TO FINAL
PART OF PARA 4 OF AGREEMENT, OUR LATEST PROPOSED VERSION
BEING THE ONE QUOTED IN PARA 2 OF REF A, AS ALTERED BY
REF B. OMANI SIDE BALKED AT THIS BUT FINALLY ACCEPTED OUR
WORDING PROVIDED PHRASE "...UP TO THE LIMIT OF 3,500 POUNDS
IN WEIGHT" IS ADDED TO FIRST OF THE TWO SENTENCES INVOLVED.
WE REPLIED THAT WE BELIEVED THIS ACCEPTABLE AND WOULD
SEEK WASHINGTON APPROVAL.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: ADVISE WHETHER WE MAY PROCEED
WITH EXCHANGE OF NOTES ADDING MISSING PAGE, WITH ADDITION
OF ABOVE PHRASE TO PARA NUMBER 4. PARAGRAPH WOULD BE AS
FOLLOWS IN ENTIRETY:

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QUOTE: TO ENABLE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES
TO DISCHARGE ITS RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS AGREEMENT,
THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SULTANATE OF OMAN WILL RECEIVE A RE-
PRESENTATIVE OF THE PEACE CORPS AND SUCH STAFF OF THE RE-
PRESENTATIVE AND SUCH PERSONNEL OF THE UNITED STATES PRIVATE
ORGANIZATIONS PERFORMING FUNCTIONS HEREUNDER UNDER CONTRACT

WITH THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES AS ARE ACCEPTABLE
TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SULTANATE OF OMAN. THE GOVERNMENT
OF THE SULTANATE OF OMAN WILL EXEMPT SUCH PERSONS FROM ALL
TAXES ON INCOME DERIVED FROM THEIR PEACE CORPS WORK OR SOURCES
OUTSIDE THE SULTANATE OF OMAN, AND FROM ALL OTHER TAXES OR OTHER
CHARGES (INCLUDING IMMIGRATION FEES) EXCEPT LICENSE FEES AND
TAXES AND OTHER CHARGES INCLUDED IN THE PRICES OF EQUIPMENT,
SUPPLIES AND SERVICES. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE SULTANATE OF OMAN
WILL ALLOW THE PEACE CORPS REPRESENTATIVE AND THE STAFF OF
THE REPRESENTATIVE TO IMPORT FREE OF DUTY OR OTHER CHARGES
THEIR PERSONAL EFFECTS AND FURNITURE UP TO THE LIMIT OF 3,500
POUNDS IN WEIGHT. THE PERSONNEL OF THE UNITED STATES PRIVATE
ORGANIZATIONS PERFORMING FUNCTIONS HEREUNDER WILL BE ALLOWED
THE SAME EXEMPTION FROM CUSTOMS DUTIES OR OTHER CHARGES ON
THEIR PERSONAL EFFECTS AS IS ACCORDED TO VOLUNTEERS HEREUNDER.
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